

Professional Services & Human Capital Symposium



Personal Property Exchange/Sale

- Saving Your Agency Dollars FMR 102-39

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What is Exchange/Sale?

To exchange or sell non-excess, non-surplus personal property and apply the exchange allowance or proceeds of sale in whole or in part payment for the acquisition of similar property.







Important Definitions

- "Acquire" means to procure or otherwise obtain personal property, including by lease.
- Replacement" means the process of acquiring property to be used in place of property that is still needed but:
 - (1) No longer adequately performs the tasks for which it is used; or
 - (2) Does not meet the agency's need as well as the property to be acquired.



Exchange/Sale can be done two ways...

Agency can trade in the property for a credit towards the replacement property;

Or

Agency can sell the replacement property and apply the money to the purchase of the new property.



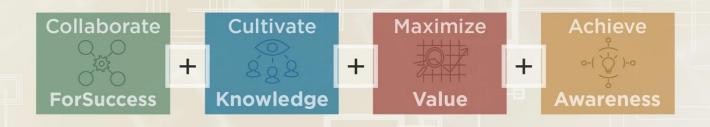
Important Definitions continued

- "Similar" means where the acquired item and the replaced item:
 - (1) Are identical;
 - (2) Are designed and constructed for the same purpose;
 - (3) Constitute parts or containers for identical or similar end items; or
 - (4) Fall within a single Federal Supply Classification (FSC) group of property that is eligible for handling under the exchange/sale authority.



Why use Exchange/Sale?

- Exchange/Sale is used to reduce your Agency's cost of replacing personal property.
- ➤ But remember, you MUST use the money from Exchange/Sale to buy a "similar" item to the item exchanged or sold.



When NOT to use Exchange/Sale...

- > Do NOT use Exchange/Sale if the estimated sales proceeds will be unreasonably low.
- Can NOT use Exchange/Sale for certain groups of property.



Property that Can NOT be Exchange/Sale:

- > 10 Weapons
- > 11 Nuclear ordnance
- > 12 Fire control equipment
- > 14 Guided missiles
- 15 Aircraft and airframe structural components (except FSC Class 1560 Airframe Structural Components)
- 42 Firefighting, rescue, and safety equipment

- 44 Nuclear reactors (FSC Class 4472 only)
- > 51 Hand tools
- 54 Prefabricated structure & caffolding
- 68 Chemicals and chemical products, except medicinal chemicals
- 84 Clothing, individual equipment, and insignia



Conditions for using Exchange/Sale

(a) The property exchanged or sold is similar to the property acquired;

(b) The property exchanged or sold is not excess or surplus, and you have a continuing need for that type of property;



Conditions continued...

- (c) The property exchanged or sold was not acquired for the principal purpose of exchange or sale;
- (d) When replacing personal property, the exchange allowance or sales proceeds from the disposition of that property may only be used to offset the cost of the replacement property, not services; and



Conditions continued...

- (e) Except for transactions involving books and periodicals in your libraries, you document the basic facts associated with each exchange/sale transaction. At a minimum, the documentation must include:
 - (1) FSC Group of items exchanged or sold, and items acquired;
 - (2) Number of items exchanged or sold, and number of items acquired;



Conditions continued...

- > (3) Acquisition cost, exchange allowance or net sales proceeds of items exchanged or sold, acquisition cost of the items acquired;
- (4) The date of the transaction(s);
- > (5) The parties involved; and
- ➤ (6) A statement that the transactions comply with the requirements of this part 102-39



How Long Do You Have to Obligate The Money?

- The money from Exchange/Sale is available to the Agency during the Fiscal Year the item was sold; and for one Fiscal year thereafter.
- After this time period, the money goes back to the General Fund of the U.S. Treasury.



Fee for commodities other than vehicles

| Asset Sales Price | Rate Per Item |
|---------------------------|--|
| \$.01 - \$1,000.00 | \$250 or award amount if less than 250 |
| \$1,000.01 - 5,000.00 | 25% of proceeds |
| \$5,000.01 - 25,000.00 | 20% of proceeds |
| \$25,000.01 - 50,000.00 | 17% of proceeds |
| \$50,000.01 - 100,000.00 | 14% of proceeds |
| \$100,000.01 - 150,000.00 | 11% of proceeds |
| \$150,000.01 - 250,000.00 | 8% of proceeds |
| \$250,000.00 and higher | 6% of proceeds |



Questions?

